

LUMPKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA

Dahlonega City Hall
465 Riley Road
Dahlonega, Georgia
May 26, 2005
9:00 A.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gooch

II. INVOCATION

Reverend Paul Roberts
Saint Elizabeth Episcopal Church

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. PRESENTATION

- Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting
- Auditors' Report for year ended December 31, 2004

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- April 21, 2005 Regular Meeting
- May 16, 2005 Special Called Meeting

VII. REPORTS

- Department Heads
- Elected Officials

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- RESOLUTIONS
 - 2005-28 Appointment to Board of Elections and Registration of Lumpkin County
 - 2005-29 Appointments to Lumpkin County Board of Tax Assessors
 - 2005-30 Appointment to Lumpkin County Dept. of Family and Children's Services Board
 - 2005-31 Appointment to Lumpkin County Library Board of Trustees
 - 2005-32 Appointments to Lumpkin County Veteran Affairs Advisory Committee
 - 2005-33 Appointments to Lumpkin County Water and Sewerage Authority
 - 2005-34 Lumpkin County Technology Policy for Lumpkin County Employees and Elected Officials
- CONTRACTS
 - Advanced Environmental Management, Inc. – Renewal of Groundwater & Methane Monitoring Activities/Lumpkin County - MSW Landfill Agreement
 - Dahlonega Realty – Renewal of Lease Agreement for Enotah Judicial Circuit Drug Treatment Court Office Space
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- Lumpkin County Airport Hangar Construction and Lease Agreement – Corrected agreement with Barry Grant
- EMS Consultants, Ltd – Renewal of Annual Support Agreement
- Medtronic Physio-Control – Renewal of Technical Service Support Agreement
- **OTHER ITEMS**
 - Hospital Authority of Lumpkin County – Payments approved for indigent care.
 - Landscape Section of Land Use Code
 - Sign Regulations Section of Land Use Code
 - Reservoir

IX. OLD BUSINESS

- COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS
- CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS
- COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS
- COUNTY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS
- PUBLIC COMMENTS

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Future Board Meetings:

- Board Work Session – City Hall Jun 2nd, 2005 at 9:00 A.M.
- Board Meeting – City Hall Jun 16th, 2005 at 9:00 A.M.

XI. ADJOURN

Chairman Gooch

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LUMPKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

May 26, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gooch at 9:05 a.m. Commissioners present were Stephen Gooch, John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson, Clarence Stowers and Marvin Martin. The Reverend Paul Roberts of Saint Elizabeth Episcopal Church opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Gooch requested that everyone stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Gooch requested that the discussion on the change in polling places, use of public buildings, and dog control be added to the agenda. John Raber then made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. This motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by all district commissioners present.

DISCUSSION AND INPUT FROM PUBLIC

Commissioner Martin explained he has been working with the Board of Elections and Registration to locate facilities in the county suitable for holding elections. Chairman Gooch expressed his thanks to Probate Judge Michael Chastain for the research he has done over the past 8 days to provide information regarding elections to the Board of Commissioners and the Board of Elections and Registration. Former Sole Commissioner J. B. Jones made a presentation giving the history of the polling precincts in Lumpkin County. Mr. Jones explained some of the precinct had been named for Indian tribes and he asked that the names not be changed or eliminated. Citizen Linda Walden stated she feels the public needs to be informed as to the changes in the polling precinct. Commissioner Martin stated that the Board of Elections did not follow procedures for advertising the changes in polling places and that the boards were working toward a more suitable solution.

PRESENTATION

GFOA AWARD

Mr. Michael Plant, President of the Georgia Chapter of the Government Finance Officers Association presented the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting awarded to Lumpkin County for FY 2003 by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA), for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR). Mr. Frank Youngblood former Lumpkin County Finance Director accepted the award on behalf of Lumpkin County. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. Chairman Gooch thanked Mr. Youngblood and staff members for all the hard work they have done to receive this award for the past two years.

AUDITORS' REPORT

Ms. Beth Grimes a member of the county's auditing firm of Bates, Carter & Co., made a public presentation of the Lumpkin County, Georgia financial data for the year ended December 31, 2004. Chairman Gooch thanked Ms. Grimes and the staff for all their hard work over the past year. Ms. Grimes stated that Bates, Carter & Co. have been performing the annual audit for Lumpkin County since the 2000 audit. A copy of Ms. Grimes power point presentation has been made a part of the minutes.

Break 10:15 a.m. to 10:25 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John Raber made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2005 Regular Meeting. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present. John Raber made a motion to

approve the minutes of the May 16, 2005 Special Called Meeting. This motion was seconded by Clarence and approved by all district commissioners present.

REPORTS

Reports were presented by Department Heads and are on file in the Board of Commissioners Office.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2005-28

Chairman Gooch read a resolution appointing a Republican Party Member to the Board of Elections and Registration of Lumpkin County. Walter Danchak was appointed to Seat 1 for an unexpired term ending December 31, 2008.

John Raber made a motion to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-29

Chairman Gooch read a resolution of appointment to the Lumpkin County Board of Tax Assessors. Catherine Macbeth was appointed to Seat 1 for a term expiring June 30, 2009 and John Smoot was reappointed to Seat 2 for a term expiring June 30, 2009.

Deborah Hutcheson made a motion to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-30

Chairman Gooch read a resolution of appointment to the Lumpkin County Department of Family and Children Services Board. Bonnie Hunt was appointed as a Board Member for a term expiring June 30, 2010.

Clarence Stowers made a motion to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-31

Chairman Gooch read a resolution of appointment to the Lumpkin County Library Board of Trustees. Betty Smulian was appointed to Seat 4 to fill the unexpired term, which expires June 30, 2006. William O'Lecky was appointed to Seat 2 for a term beginning July 1, 2005, and expiring June 30, 2009. Reg Barlament was appointed to Seat 5 for a term beginning July 1, 2005, and expiring June 30, 2009.

John Raber made a motion to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-32

Chairman Gooch read a resolution to appoint new members to the Lumpkin County Veterans' Affairs Advisory Committee. Rachel Pruitt was appointed to Seat 4 to complete an unexpired term ending April 14, 2008. Paul Hanson was appointed to Seat to complete an unexpired term ending April 14, 2007.

Deborah Hutcheson made a motion to approve this resolution. This motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present.

RESOLUTION 2005-33

Chairman Gooch stated this resolution would be saved for later date.

RESOLUTION 2005-34

Chairman Gooch read a resolution to implement a Lumpkin County Technology Policy for Lumpkin County Employees and Elected Officials. The Governing authority of Lumpkin County has examined the increase in use of electronic storage of critical financial information, exchange of data and use of electronic assets for research and

communication, and now desires to implement a policy to establish guidelines and standards for use of such technology.

Deborah Hutcheson made a motion to approve this resolution. Marvin Martin seconded this motion. Discussion followed with John Raber requesting the addition of fax and copier to policy. Deborah Hutcheson then withdrew her motion. No action was taken.

CONTRACTS

Advanced Environmental Management, Inc. – Renewal of Groundwater & Methane Monitoring Activities/Lumpkin County - MSW Landfill Agreement

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Medtronic Physio-Control – Renewal of Technical Service Support Agreement

A motion was made by Clarence Stowers to approve all contracts listed on the agenda. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present.

OTHER BUSINESS

Hospital Authority of Lumpkin County

Chairman Gooch stated that the Hospital Authority of Lumpkin County has submitted a request for payments for indigent care.

Deborah Hutcheson made a motion to approve the request as submitted. The motion was seconded by John Raber and approved by all district commissioners present.

Landscape Section of Land Use Code

Sign Regulations Section of Land Use Code

The board agreed to forward the Landscape Section of Land Use Code to the County Attorney and take the proposed drafts to a public hearing. The hearing will be held Thursday, June 16, 2005, 6:00 p.m. City Hall.

Reservoir

Chairman Gooch ask board to approve county members to a City/County committee to look at options for the reservoir. A committee of Chairman Gooch, Commissioner Martin, County Manager Kelley, County Attorney Horne, and city committee members of Mayor Gary McCullough, Council Member Guy Laboa, and City Manager Bill Lewis. Director of Finance Allison Martin shared different scenarios of financing the purchase of the reservoir.

OLD BUSINESS

COUNTY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

County Manger Stan Kelley stated we are moving forward on the grinder pump for the Detention Center. The bids will be let 6/13/2005. Mr. Kelley has talked with Jon Whidby of the Airport Committee regarding the airport survey. Mr. Barry Grant who leases a hangar space at the airport may be willing to share in the cost of the airport survey.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Gooch said he wanted extend his thanks and appreciated to all of our veterans. Chairman Gooch reminded everyone of the ceremony honoring our veterans to be held at the Veterans Park at 10:00 a.m., Monday, May 30, 2005.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

No comments.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Not present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS


Dale Steenbergen, President of the Dahlonega-Lumpkin county Chamber of Commerce stated that the county would be receiving a letter of the Chamber of Commerce and NGCSU with information about a joint project. Citizen Johnny Chattin spoke regarding the Corps of Engineers property at Hwys. 60 & 400. Mr. Chattin requested that the tribe have use of the property and be included in any contract the county enters into with the Corps of Engineers.

ADJOURN

Chairman Gooch asked for a motion to adjourn. Deborah Hutcheson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:38 p.m. The motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present.

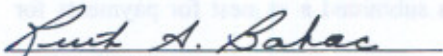
6-16-2005

Date



Stephen W. Gooch, Chairman
Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

Attest:



Ruth A. Bohac
Clerk, Lumpkin County